

Amendments to the Claims:

1-20 (Cancelled)

21 (New) A computer-implemented method for shadowing information between a first computing device and a second computing device, the method comprising:

associating shadow settings with an application of the first computing device;

registering the application of the first computing device with a shadow manager, wherein the shadow manager is on the first computing device, wherein registering the application includes communicating the settings to the shadow manager;

receiving a system event on the computing device, wherein the system event indicates a coupling of the second computing device to the first computing device;

upon receiving the system event, determining whether shadowing is supported according to the settings communicated to the shadow manager;

when shadowing is supported,

shadowing, by the shadow manager, the application, wherein the application is actively executing on the first computing device wherein the actively executing application includes a current runtime, and

sending, from the shadow manager of the first computing device, data of the current runtime, wherein the data of the current runtime is configured to cause the second computing device to mirror the current runtime of the actively executing application of the first computing device.

22 (New) The computer implemented method of claim 21, wherein the shadow settings include at least one member of a group comprising: supported file identifiers of the application, computing device identifiers for identifying computing devices having authority to couple to the first computing device, a manually shadowing setting, and an automatic shadowing setting.

23 (New) The computer implemented method of claim 21, wherein determining whether shadowing is supported includes determining whether the shadow settings include at least one member of a group comprising: manual shadowing and automatic shadowing.

24 (New) The computer implemented method of claim 21, wherein determining whether shadowing is supported includes confirming a digital certificate associated with the first computing device and the second computing device.

25 (New) The computer implemented method of claim 21, wherein determining whether shadowing is supported includes accessing digital rights management information associated with the application of the first computing device to determine whether shadowing is supported.

26 (New) The computer implemented method of claim 21, further comprising ignoring the second computing device when shadowing is not supported.

27 (New) The computer implemented method of claim 21, wherein the current runtime is associated with at least one member of a group comprising: an executing music application, an executing video application, an executing voice-over-Internet-Protocol application, an executing web browsing application, and an executing word processing application.

28 (New) A computer-readable storage medium having computer executable instructions for shadowing information between a first computing device and a second computing device, the instructions comprising:

- associating shadow settings with an application of the first computing device;
- registering the application of the first computing device with a shadow manager, wherein the shadow manager is on the first computing device, wherein registering the application includes communicating the settings to the shadow manager;
- receiving a system event on the computing device, wherein the system event indicates a coupling of the second computing device to the first computing device;

upon receiving the system event, determining whether shadowing is supported according to the settings communicated to the shadow manager;

when shadowing is supported,

shadowing, by the shadow manager, the application, wherein the application is actively executing on the first computing device wherein the actively executing application includes a current runtime, and

sending, from the shadow manager of the first computing device, data of the current runtime, wherein the data of the current runtime is configured to cause the second computing device to mirror the current runtime of the actively executing application of the first computing device.

29 (New) The computer readable storage medium of claim 28, wherein the shadow settings include at least one member of a group comprising: supported file identifiers of the application, computing device identifiers for identifying computing devices having authority to couple to the first computing device, a manually shadowing setting, and an automatic shadowing setting.

30 (New) The computer readable storage medium of claim 28, wherein determining whether shadowing is supported includes determining whether the shadow settings include at least one member of a group comprising: manual shadowing and automatic shadowing.

31 (New) The computer readable storage medium of claim 28, wherein determining whether shadowing is supported includes confirming a digital certificate associated with the first computing device and the second computing device.

32 (New) The computer readable storage medium of claim 28, wherein determining whether shadowing is supported includes accessing digital rights management information associated with the application of the first computing device to determine whether shadowing is supported.

33 (New) The computer readable storage medium of claim 28, further comprising ignoring the second computing device when shadowing is not supported.

34 (New) The computer readable storage medium of claim 28, wherein the current runtime is associated with at least one member of a group comprising: an executing music application, an executing video application, an executing voice-over-Internet-Protocol application, an executing web browsing application, and an executing word processing application.

35 (New) A system for shadowing information between a first computing device and a second computing device, the system comprising:

a processor; and

a memory having computer executable instructions, wherein the computer executable instructions are configured for:

associating shadow settings with an application of the first computing device;

registering the application of the first computing device with a shadow manager, wherein the shadow manager is on the first computing device, wherein registering the application includes communicating the settings to the shadow manager;

receiving a system event on the computing device, wherein the system event indicates a coupling of the second computing device to the first computing device;

upon receiving the system event, determining whether shadowing is supported according to the settings communicated to the shadow manager;

when shadowing is supported,

shadowing, by the shadow manager, the application, wherein the application is actively executing on the first computing device wherein the actively executing application includes a current runtime, and

sending, from the shadow manager of the first computing device, data of the current runtime, wherein the data of the current runtime is configured to cause

the second computing device to mirror the current runtime of the actively executing application of the first computing device.

36 (New) The system of claim 35, wherein the shadow settings include at least one member of a group comprising: supported file identifiers of the application, computing device identifiers for identifying computing devices having authority to couple to the first computing device, a manually shadowing setting, and an automatic shadowing setting.

37 (New) The system of claim 35, wherein determining whether shadowing is supported includes determining whether the shadow settings include at least one member of a group comprising: manual shadowing and automatic shadowing.

38 (New) The system of claim 35, wherein determining whether shadowing is supported includes confirming a digital certificate associated with the first computing device and the second computing device.

39 (New) The system of claim 35, wherein determining whether shadowing is supported includes accessing digital rights management information associated with the application of the first computing device to determine whether shadowing is supported.

40 (New) The system of claim 35, further comprising ignoring the second computing device when shadowing is not supported.